

Interview Summary	Application No. 10/646,554	Applicant(s) SCHOWTKA, ALEXANDER K.	
	Examiner Michelle K. Lay	Art Unit 2672	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Michelle K. Lay.

(3) Richard Hjerpe.

(2) Robert Dulaney.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 18 January 2006.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No.

If Yes, brief description: Company's webpage. Gave demonstration on how the user can crop the images.

Claim(s) discussed: 4, 19 and 22.

Identification of prior art discussed: _____.

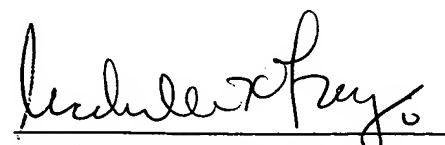
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.


Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Claim 4; Examiner suggested amending the claim to focus on a product, resulting in narrowing the field of search from general cropping. Another suggestion was to place on the record the definition of applicant's minimum and maximum image areas from the disclosure to narrow the focus of the independent claims.

Rejections of claims 19 and 22 will be onsidered.

Amendment to claims would raise new issues, causing a further search.

It was advised to place on the record results to the steps of step c in claims 19 and 22.

Additional coordinate data incorporated with image data should be brought out in the claim language to narrow the independent claims further.